### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 **Notice DCP-205** 

**For:** State and County Offices

# FY 2008 Advance Counter-Cyclical (CC) Rates for Upland Cotton

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# 1 Overview

## A Background

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (2008 Act) was enacted into law on June 18, 2008. The 2008 Act authorizes DCP for FY's 2008 through 2012.

Producers participating in FY 2008 DCP may elect to receive a FY 2008 advance CC payment, the amount of which would be determined after the first 180 calendar days of the marketing year for the covered commodity. Because the effective price is below the target price, an advance CC payment rate is authorized for upland cotton.

## **B** Purpose

This notice provides:

- State and County Offices of the advance CC payment rate for upland cotton
- State and County Offices with FY 2008 CC payment software information
- instructions to County Offices to issue FY 2008 advance CC payments
- County Offices with guidance for issuing payments to producers with special circumstances.

Disposal Date	Distribution	
November 1, 2009	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices	

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## 2 2008 Advance CC Payments

## **A 2008 Cotton Advance Payment Rate**

The following provides the crop eligible to receive an advance CC payment and the payment rate.

Crop	Rate	40 Percent of Rate
Upland Cotton	0.1258	0.0503

**Note:** Producers who have elected an advance CC payment will be issued the payment at 40 percent of the payment rate.

## **B** FY 2008 CC Cotton Payment Software

FY 2008 CC cotton payment software was included in County Release No. 654.

**Note:** A new program parameter file containing the CC advance payment rate for cotton will be downloaded to County Offices on February 2, 2009, according to a forthcoming information bulletin.

## C Issuing FY 2008 Advance CC Payments

County Offices shall begin issuing FY 2008 advance CC payments after February 2, 2009.

## 3 Issuing Payments to Producers With Special Circumstances

### A Bankruptcy

County Offices shall follow procedures in 67-FI for producers who have filed bankruptcy.

#### **B** Deceased Producers

County Offices shall follow the policy in 1-DCP, paragraph 394 for deceased producers.

## C Successor-in-Interest

County Offices shall follow the policy in 1-DCP, paragraph 393 for successor-in-interest.

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## 4 Action

## **A State Office Action**

State Offices shall ensure that County Offices:

- are informed of the contents of this notice
- follow directions in the forthcoming information bulletin for loading the program parameter file.

## **B** County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- follow directions in the forthcoming information bulletin to ensure that the new program parameter file is loaded to the County Office system
- print the 2008 cotton CC program parameter file information according to 1-CM to verify rates
- begin issuing 2008 advance cotton CC payments, as applicable.

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